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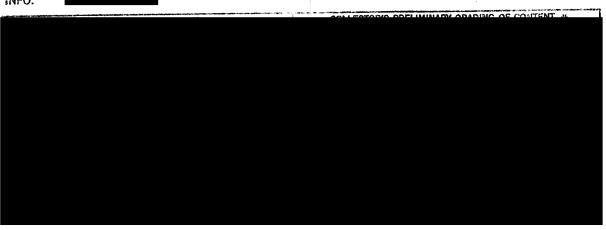
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Vygoda Raion Situation Report for the Period 1-31 December 1949

1 December: A group of twelve Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Igorov searched the Osi woods above the village of Mizun Stary.

Eight Chekists under the command of Capt. Kovalov set an ambush in the Nyagra woods above the village of Nyagrin. In the evening they patrolled the village and continued all through the night.

2 December: Three militiamen under the command of Kucher arrived at ten o'clock in the village of Hemnya, Rozhnitivski Raion. They interviewed P--, the farmer's wife who was arrested on 22 November and released after four days. The militiamen told her that, thanks to their efforts, she had been released from prison and asked her for 600 krb. or they would arrest her again. She gave them the 600 kmt. and they left her. Four Bolsheviks under the command of militiaman Cherevik arrived at nine o'clock in the village of Novoshin. They arrested farmers F--- and K--- and took them to the MVD in the town of Vygoda (Vyhoda). After interrogation they were released on the second day.

A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Kovalov found some papers near the hiding place which the Bolsheviks discovered on 26 November 1949, They took these and studied them in the cottage of laykhaylo Lushch

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A group of fifteen Chekists under the command of MGB Capt, Alekseyey arrived at six o'clook in the village of Veldish. They carried out a general search during the day but found nothing.

Seven Christs under the command of MEB Capt. Igorov laid an ambush in the daytime in the fields at Beregi behind the village of Pshenichnik.

A group of Chekists, consisting of seven people under the command of MGB Captain Kulakov, arrived at 1900 hours at the village of Misun Stary, They patrolled the village until 2000 hours and then spent the night in the house of the schoolmistresses from the SUZ.

4 December: A group of fifteen Chekists arrived at one o'clock in the village of Maksimivka. They went to the farm of Vasil Samkiv, son of Turko, where they stayed the night. In the morning they searched houses in the village. They tore up floors and thatched roofs and moved hay and straw. Two-thirds of the village was searched. Towards evening the Chekists left for the Hosheha woods,

A group of 25 Chekists under the command of MSB agent Kozlov arrived at six o'clock in the village of Ilemnya, Rozhnitivski Raion. They made a most thorough search of the farms of Ivan Mikitin and Ivan Proteiv. The farmer's wife Maria Melevich, daughter of Ivan, was interrogated and afterwards released. During the search the Chekists stole chickens, butter, cheese, eggs, and other provisions. Afterwards Koslov and his soldiers went to the church, where a service was being held, and drove the people out. They used sticks and the butt-ends of rifles to clear the church and they did not spare old people or children. They spent the night in the school building and in the morning went to the village of Lugio

A group of fourteen unidentified Chekists arrived at seven oblock in the village of Veldish, They divided into two groups, one of which went to Rostoki Street and the other to the upper part of the village. During the day they searched buildings but found nothing. In the evening a car came and took them to the reion center of Vygoda.

5 December: Two militiamen, Vasilkiv and Nosov, arrived on a requisitioned cart in the village of Nyagrin. Passing through the village, they ordered the peasants to bring a bundle of hay each for the horses to the village council. As the peasants had already delivered their quots of hay, not one obeyed the order. The militiamen than went to the farm of Mykhaylo Kostin, who was not at home, and took away a whole cart of hay to the village of Veldizh

Twelve Chekists searched the Kliva woods above the village of Patiskiv. In the evening they patrolled the village and then left for Vygoda.

MGB Senior Lt. Chudov with three men arrived at ten o'clock in the village of Kropyvnyk. They went to the village council, where they checked the agricultural books.

6 December: Seven Chekists under the command of MGB agent Kulakov searched the woods at Pomirki above the village of Kelna, Bolekhov Raion,

7 December: A group of nine Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Igorov searched the Sherkovets woods, above the village of Mizun Stary.

Twenty-six Chekists under the command of MGB Captain Alekseyev and Senior Lt. Chudov searched the Lisa woods above the village of Pshenichnik. In the evening they came down to the vill was and went from one cottage to another. After the search they spent the night in the village. Chudov stayed at the farm of Ivan Kalmuk and Alekseyev with Maria Kerpichmishin In the morning they left for the raion center.

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8 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Capt.
Alekseyev arrived at 2000 hours in the village of Novoshin. They
searched the farm of Ivan Pelcher. Afterwards, they went to Zaverkh, the
upper part of the village, which they searched during the night. The next
morning they searched the Lisa woods.

Eleven young men from the village of Ilemnya, Rozhnitivski Rsion, were ordered to report at the Voyenkmat in the raion center. They were all of the 1930 class and they were registered and destined to be sent to the FZN. When they saw that they would not be allowed to go home, some of them escaped. Three were left behind and were kept by the Bolsheviks in the Voyenkomat. They were sent to the village next day for their things but did not return and ran to the woods, where they hid among the forest workers.

9 December: A group of Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Alekseyev arrived at 2200 hours in the village of Novoshin. They searched the farm of Ivan Pelcher and afterwards patrolled the village. They then left for Vygoda.

Four militiamen under the command of Kucher arrived at ten o'clock in the village of Ilemmya, Roshnitivski Raion. They arrested Mess and took her to the MCB in the raion center of Roshnitiv. After a fortnight she was released.

10 December: Thirty Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Kovalov searched the Pohari woods above the village of Nyagrin. In the evening they came down to the village and arrested T---, whom they took to Vygoda.

Eight Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Alekseyev searched the woods below hise mountain above the village of Novoshin. In the evening they came down to the village and searched individual farms.

- 11 December: Thirty Chekists during the day searched in the woods above the village of Nyagrino
- 13 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Sr. Lt. Chudov arrived at two o'clock in the village of Misun Stery and searched the farm of Mykola Naum. The next day they searched the Sushina woods.
- ili December: Seven Chekists under the command of MGB Lt. Bulakovski leid an ambush at night in the Pohartsi woods above the village of Nyagrin in the vicinity of the road. They searched the Trepit woods next day.

Seven Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Kulakov searched the Solotvina woods during the day. At night they laid an ambush near the cottage of Vasil Budinkevich and the following morning they left for the Osi woods.

A group of nine Chekists under the command of MGB Senior Lt. Chudov searched the Lisa woods above the village of Pshenichnik.

15 December: A group of nine Chekists came down at 2000 hours from the Lisa woods to the village of Novoshin. They patrolled the village and searched the farm of Anton Sadovski. Later they searched the houses near the road but found nothing.

The Second Secretary of the Party, Leshukov, and three soldiers arrived at ten o'clock in the village of Kropyvnyk. They ordered the head of the village council to call all the young people to a meeting. He replied that they were not at home but busy in the forest. The Bolsheviks then departed to the town of Vygoda.

Eight Chekists under the command of an unidentified sergeant searched the Nyagra woods. They stopped the forest workers, checked their documents, and asked them about the Banderovtsi.

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16 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Captain Alekseyev arrived at 1600 hours in the village of Pshenichnik. They searched the farm of Petr Sashchin. Later they patrolled the village and in the evening laid an ambush in the fields of Vilshinikuvati.

17 December: A group of Chekists laid an ambush at night in the ditch along the whole road through the village of Novoshin. In the morning they went in the direction of Lisa mountain, here they watched the roads, bridges, and lanes the whole day.

18 December: | Seven Chekists under the command of MOB Captain Kulakov laid an ambush in the Makohinka woods above the village of Kalna, Bolekhow Rajon.

Five Chekists, among them militiamen Kucher, arrived at the village of Ilemnya, Rozhnitivski Raion. They went to the farm of Moor, where a certain Book, who had been threatened with deportation to Siberia, was hiding. When she saw the Bolsheviks she tried to escape but was followed and caught by Kucher, who wanted to take her to the M(3). She gave him 200 krb, and he let her go.

19 December: The head of the F7NO, Moskovchenko, and two militiamen arrived by car at nine o'clock in the rillage of Kalna, Bolekhov Reion. They went to the school to see if it was open. It was a religious holiday (the feast of St. Nikolas) and the children did not turn up at school and the teacher was by herself in the office. Moskovchenko went into the office and interviewed the local schoolmistress, Stefania Milnikovich, from the village of Vytvytsa who, like everyone else, was wearing her best clothes. Moskovchenko reproached ber for attending church services and for not making any effort to influence the children to attend school during church feasts and finally he dismissed her from her job. After three weeks she was reinstated.

20 December: Three Jolsheviks under the command of Savchenko arrived at ten o'clock in the vill ge of Kalna, Bolekhov Raion. They went to the village council and sent for the following people through the duty clerk: Vasil Dyaks. Ivan Daniliv, and Ilko Kostyuk. In their presence Savchenko began to write a complaint against them for not having any chimneys in their cottages (sic!). Each of the farme's gave Savchenko a liter of whiskey and he tore up the complaint and seat them house.

Five Chekists under the command of MGB Capt. Politayev arrived at two o'clock in the village of Hemnya, Rozhnitivski Raion. They went to see the priest, who entertained them well and gave them food and drink. Shortly afterwards two of the people who took part in the church services came to see the priest: they were F , som of ; and M , som of . When they saw the solsheviks they brought some whiskey with the intention of making the Chekists drunk and saving the priest from arrest, but this did not work. The Chekist, having finished eating and drinking, ordered the priest to come with them and took him to the church where they took away all the books and entries and locked up the church. They took the priest, Roman Litvin (who has a wife and eight children), and the two assistants, F and M to the raion center of Rozhnitiv. The next day they released and M and took the priest to the MGB in Stanislav.

21 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Senior It. Thudov arrived at 1900 hours in the village of Mizum Stary. At night they laid an ambush among the houses in the center of the village and the following day they searched the Sherkovets woods.

Tranty-five Chekists searched the Lise woods above the village of Mizum Stary.

22 December: A group of seven Chelists under the command of MGB Capt, Kulakov arrived at 2000 hours in the village of Kalna, Bolekhov Raion. At night they patrolled the village and the next (ay they searched the Solotvina woods.

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Four Bolshevik with a mobile cinema arrived in the village of Ilemnya, Rozhnitivski Raion. They showed a picture called Life In the Kolkhoz. The audience consisted of twenty-five people.

23 December: A group of about fifty Chekists arrived at night in the village of Novoshin. They laid an ambush in the cottages of people who had been deported to Siberia. In the morning they went towards Lisa mountain.

Seven Chekists under the command of Senior Lt. Chudov made a search of the Zazvir woods during the day.

Two Bolsheviks from the Narkomzag, Kolbasin and Revenko, arrived at nine o'clock in the village of Pshenichnik. They went into all the stables looking for unregistered cattle. They went to the farm of Mykhaylo Kugiv and found a pig which had not been registered. They began to write a protocol and the farmer gave them a half a liter of whiskey. They accepted this and tore up the protocol. From there they went to some other stables and, when they were passing the empty cottage of Mykhayla Fitich (who had been deported to Siberia), several shots were fired at them by members of the underground. The Bolsheviks, who were drunk, ran towards the cottage, one of them firing from his pistol while the others threw a granade into the cottage. The underground members fired more shots and the Bolsheviks fled.

21. December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Captain Politage, arrived in the village of Ilemnya, Roshnitivski Raion. They went to the local grave-digger, Dmitr Trisch, and took him to the cemetary to the place where the late P-- was buried and ordered him to dig up the body. At first he refused, but was forced to do so under a hail of kicks and blows from the Chekists. They took out the body and sent for P-- wis wife, M-- p to identify it. They also brought eight different people and asked them to identify the body. Of course they maintained they did not know it. The Bolsheviks maltreated them and sent them home. They demolished and burned down the house and took the body to the raion center of Rozhnitiv.

Five Chekists under the command of MCH Captain Igorov laid an ambush in the Osi woods above the village of Mizum Stary.

25 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of Cherneyev and Savehenke arrived at 2000 hours in the village of Kalna, Bolekhov Radon, and went around the village savesdropping. They went into the cottage of Decembers a certain Boss, wife of the late Zoos, was hiding. They caught her and took her to the house of her father, Boss, and told her to stay with her father. Later, they laid an ambush beyond the village in a place called Putnic.

Seven Chekists under the command of an unidentified lieutenant laid an ambush in the Nyagra woods above the village of Nyagrin, near the Kopenka

A group of seven Chekists under the command of MCB Senior Lt. Chudov arrived at 2000 hours in the village of Kropyvnyk. At night they laid an ambush near the village council and the school.

26 December: A group of eight Chekists under the command of MGB Senior Lt. Chudov arrived at 8 o'clock in the village of Pshenichnik, among them was Makarenko from the Narkomzag. They interrogated a woman called Same and asked her who, on 23 December, had fired at Makarenko from the cottage of Mykhaylo Fitich. She replied that she knew nothing of it. Chudov said that the Banderovtsi had attempted to kill Makarenko, hoping in this way to avoid delivering their quotas, but they were wrong. Even if a hundred such Makarenkos perished the Soviet Covernment would still insist on the quotas being delivered. After interrogation, they released the woman and left for the town of Vygoda.

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seven Chekists under the command of MGB Senior

27 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MGB Senior Lt. Chudov arrived at 2100 hours in the village of Novoshin. They searched the farm of Naria Brafinets; daughter of Dmitr. During the night they laid an ambush in a place called Zaverkh.

28 December: A group of five Chekists under the command of MCB Lt. Bulakovski arrived at 2200 hours in the village of Lolin. At night they laid an ambush near the house of Mykhaylo Tisyak. The next morning they laid an ambush in the Kreminnya woode.

A group of seven Chekists under the command of MCB Captain Igorov arrived at eight o 'clock in the village of Kropyvnyk. They searched the following farms: Clena Hrushanik, Anna Yusip, Yavdokhya Volovach, Paraska Volovach, and Vasil Shlomak, but did not find anything.

A group of seven Chekists under the command of an imidentified lieutement arrived at 2300 hours in the village of Novoshin. At night they eavesdropped in the village and towards morning searched the cottage of Maria Hrafinets. The next day they laid an ambush in a place called Kotilevinai.

29 December: A group of seven Chekists under the command of MCB Captain Kopilov Searched the Hichs woods above the village of Kropyvnyk.

Eleven Chekists under the command of MGB Senior It. Chudov searched the Lisa woods during the day. At 1900 hours they returned to the village of Pshenichnik and saw a woman called Peruska Hrushanik on the road. They called to her to stop; when she saw who they were, she find, but they caught her and beat her severally. Afterwards, they tried to enter the cottage of Olenya Vashni, who was out, and broke all the windows.

30 December: A group of nine Chekists under the command of MOB Captain Igorov arrived at 1900 hours in the village of Mizun Stary. At night they laid an ambush near the bridge over the Mizunka River, between the Millage of Mizun Stary and Pshenichnik, and during the day searched the OSI Brods.

A group of eleven Chekists under the command of MGB Captain Alekseyev arrived at 1700 hours in the village of Pshenichnik. They searched houses and arrested Managed At night they laid an ambush beyond the village in the fields of Vilshinikuvati.

During the period reported on, in Vygoda Raion the Bolsheviks laid 18 am bushes, made 21 searches in the woods, six searches of individual buildings, six collective searches, arrested seven people, released five, interrogated two, and beat up elevan. They made three raids on streets and in each case about 25-30 people were involved.

Field bivouse, 30 January 1950.

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Attachment: List of coordinates for towns mentioned in this report.

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1. Misun Stary (18-55-15N, 23-52-35E)
2. Nyagra (18-50-30N, 23-53-50E)
3. Hemmya (Ilemnia) (18-51-30N, 23-59E) Rozhnitivski Raion
11. Novoshin (Nosossyn) (18-51N, 23-51E)
5. Vygoda (Vyhoda, Wygoda, Cigoda) (18-55-25N, 23-56E)
6. Veldish (Weldzirz?) (18-51N, 23-55-10E)
7. Pshenichnik (Pszenicznik) (18-51N, 23-55-10E)
8. Maksimovka (Naksynowka) (18-53-10N, 23-56E)
9. Lugi (Inhy?) (18-50-10N, 21-01-50E)
10. Nyagrin (Niagryn) (18-50-15N, 23-56E)
11. Patiskiv (Pacykow) (18-56N, 23-56E)
12. Kropivnik (Kropy:nyk, Kropiwnik) (18-56-20N, 23-51-20E)
13. Kaina (18-58N, 23-19E) Bolethov Raion
14. Rozhnitiv (Rozniatow) (18-56N, 21-10E) Rozhnitiv Raion
15. Vitvitsya (Vytvytsya, Witwica) (19-00N, 23-51E) Bolekhov Raion
16. Lolin (18-52-30N, 23-57E)
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